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SUBJECT: COAST GUARD VISIT/AMVER AWARD CEREMONY -- NORWAY

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1. DETAILED NORWAY SCHEDULE FOR COAST GUARD/AMVER VISIT NOW IN PLACE. WE WELCOME VISIT OF RADM & MRS. WOOD AND PARTY AND APPRECIATE FOCUS ON BOTH NORWEGIAN MERCHANT MARINE PARTICIPATION IN AMVER AND EXCEPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION MADE TO AMVER BY NORWEGIAN COASTAL RADIO NETWORK CENTERED AT ROGALAND. FOLLOWING OSLO PROGRAMMING HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH COMCOGARD ACTEUR, BUT IS HEREWITH CONFIRMED.

2. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22--PARTY ARRIVED FROM GOTHENBERG VIA KLM 185 AT 1145 HOURS. WILL BE MET AT AIRPORT BY ECON COUNSELOR ANDREW SENS AND ASSISTANT NAVAL ATTACHE JACK CLAY. PROCEED TO GABELSHUS HOTEL (GABELS GATE 6, UNCLASSIFIED

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TEL 56-25-90) IN EMBASSY TRANSPORTATION. AFTERNOON AND EVENING FREE--EMBASSY PROVIDE SUGGESTIONS ON SIGHT-SEEING, RESTAURANTS, ETC., UPON ARRIVAL.

3. SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23--MORNING AND EARLY AFTERNOON FREE. AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF HOTEL. 1700-1830 HOURS--AMBASSADOR LERNER WILL HOST AN INFORMAL,

SUBSTANTIVE MEETING AT THE RESIDENCE (STAG). PURPOSE OF THIS SESSION IS TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE PARTY TO DISCUSS SHIPPING AND MARITIME ISSUES WITH KEY EMBASSY STAFF AS WELL AS TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON THESE SUBJECTS WITH FOUR NORWEGIANS FROM SHIPPING SECTOR WHO WILL ALSO BE PRESENT. EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN HOTEL AND RESIDENCE.  
--EVENING FREE.

4. MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

0845 --EMBASSY CAR PICK UP RADM WOOD, CAPT FUECHSEL, CAPT MACDONAD AND MR. CROMWELL AT HOTEL.  
0900 - 1030 --MEETINGS AT TELECOMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORATE (UNIVERSITETSGT. 2) WITH JOHN R. VEASTAD, RADIO SECTION CHIEF, AND STAFF. ACCOMPANIED BY EMBASSY OFFICER KENNETH KOLB.  
1030 --RETURN TO EMBASSY.  
1045 --EMBASSY CAR PICKS UP WIVES AT HOTEL, PROCEEDS TO EMBASSY.  
1100-1130 --AMVER AWARD CERMONY AT EMBASSY HONORING ROGALAND RADIO. AFTER BRIEF INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY AMBASSADOR LERNER, ADMIRAL WOOD WILL PRESENT THEU AWARD TO ROGALAND RADIO DIRECTOR GUNNAR BORVIK. AT THIS TIME WE HOPE THAT ADMIRAL WOOD COULD ALSO MAKE GENERAL COMMENDATORY COMMENTS REGARDING NORWEGIAN PARTICIPATION IN AMVER. DIRECTOR BORVIK WILL LIMIT HIS REMARKS TO A FEW WORDS OF APPRECIATION. ACCOMPANYING BORVIK FROM ROGALAND (BUT NOT ACTUALLY ACCEPTING THE AWARD) WILL BE MR. ARNE NILSEN, THE STATION'S RADIO  
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OPERATOR UNION REPRESENTATIVE.

WE ARE INVITING SOME 60 TO 70 OFFICIALS TO THE CEREMONY, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE EMBASSY, MINISTRIES OF DEFENSE, COMMERCE AND SHIPPING, COMMUNICATIONS, FOREIGN AFFAIRS, THE SHIPPING DIRECTORATE, TELECOMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORATE, SHIPOWNERS ASSOCIATION, NAVY, AND SEAMEN'S UNIONS. WE ARE ALSO SENDING SOME 30 ADDITIONAL INVITATIONS TO THOSE OSLO-BASED SHIPPING COMPANIES WHO RECEIVED AMVER PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATES BY MAIL. PRESS WILL BE PRESENT.

1130-1200 -- PRESS CONFERENCE -- WE WILL GIVE THOSE PRESS REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT AT THE CEREMONY THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH THE COAST GUARD PARTY. WE ANTICIPATE THAT QUESTIONS WILL COVER COAST GUARD MATTERS BEYOND AMVER, AND WILL PROVIDE SOME SAMPLE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

1215 --PARTY, INCLUDING WIVES, DEPART EMBASSY IN EMBASSY TRANSPORTATION (WIVES WILL BE TAKEN BACK TO HOTEL OR DOWNTOWN AT THIS TIME OR EARLIER IF DESIRED).

1230-1500 --LIGHT LUNCH AND MEETINGS AT NORWEGIAN MERCHANT MARINE DIRECTORATE, THV. MEYERSGT. 7. HOST WILL BE DIRECTOR MODOLV HAREIDE. ACCOMPANIED BY EMBASSY OFFICER KENNETH KOLB.

1500 -- RETURN TO HOTEL IN EMBASSY TRANSPORTATION.

REMAINDER OF AFTERNOON FREE.

1845 --PICK-UP ENTIRE PARTY AT HOTEL.

1900 --AWARD DINNER HOSTED BY NORWEGIAN SHIPOWNERS ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT CHARLES BERGESEN, AT ASSOCIATION'S BUILDING

(RAADHUSGT. 25). THE DINNER WILL FEATURE THE PRESENTATION

TO THE COAST GUARD OF THE ASSOCIATION'S FIRST AWARD FOR

SUEACH AND RESCUE. ADMIRAL WOOD SHOULD ACCEPT THE AWARD

FROM MR. BERGESEN, AND MAKE A FEW REMARKS UPON RECEIVING

THE AWARD. THE AMBASSADOR, ECONOMIC COUNSELOR SENS, AND

DEFENSE ATTACHE DEWISPELAERE, AND WIVES, WILL BE PRESENT.

CA. 2230 --RETURN TO HOTEL IN EMBASSY TRANSPORTATION.

5. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25 --ADMIRAL AND MRS. WOOD, CAPT AND

MRS. FUECHSEL, AND MR. CROMWELL DEPART OSLO AT 0930 ON PA 125

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FOR LONDON. EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO AIRPORT.

(LEAVE HOTEL 0815). CAPT AND MRS. MACDONALD PROCEED TO STAVANGER'S

SOLA AIRPORT VIA BU 203 AT 0900 (LEAVE HOTEL 0800). MACDONALDS WILL

BE MET AT SOLA BY ROGALAND RADIO DIRECTOR BORVIK, AND WILL PROCEED TO

RADIO STATION FOR A TOUR OF THE FACILITIES AND MEETINGS WITH

STATION OFFICIALS.

1605 DEPART SOLA FOR LONDON VIA SK 515.

6. AMVER PARTICIPATION CERTIFICATES AND FLAGS FOR

SHIPPING COMPANIES AND SHIPS WERE PASSED TWO WEEKS AGO

TO SHIPOWVERS ASSOCIATION FOR DISTRIBUTION. MANY THANKS

FOR PREADDRESSED ENVELOPES.

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